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The invention claimed is:

1. A method for analyzing short tandem repeats (STRs),  
comprising:

(a) separately digesting, using an RNA-guided nuclease:

(i) a first portion of a genomic sample from an individual, at a defined site that is upstream of an STR;

and  
(ii) a second portion of the sample, at a defined site that is downstream of the STR, to produce first and second digestion products;

(b) fragmenting the first and second digestion products of step (a) to produce first and second fragmentation products;

(c) ligating an adaptor to the fragmentation products of step (b) to produce first and second ligation products;

(d) selectively amplifying, using strand-specific primers and a primer that hybridizes to the adaptor:

(i) part of the top strand but not the bottom strand of the first ligation products; and

(ii) part of the bottom strand but not the top strand of the second ligation products;

(e) sequencing at least some of the amplification products of step (d) to produce a plurality of top strand reads and a plurality of bottom strand reads; and

(f) counting the number of STR repeats in a sequence read of step (e), thereby providing an allele-specific count of the number of STR repeats at a particular locus in the genome of the individual.

2. The method of claim 1, wherein the sequencing step (e) is paired-end sequencing, and wherein the method comprises, prior to said counting step (f), eliminating sequence reads that do not contain the sequence of a primer used in step (d).

3. The method of claim 1, further comprising validating the number of STR repeats counted in (f) as being accurate only if the number matches the number of STR repeats counted in a read from the other strand.